

# Carolina Will Play Virginia and Princeton Baseball

## LANDER NOT TO ACCEPT OFFICE

Newly-Elected President of Bristol Club May Be Forced to Decline.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
Bristol, Va., January 29.—Having resigned recently the position of Commonwealth's attorney for Bristol because his law practice as a member of the firm of Peters & Lavinder absorbed his time, Henry G. Lavinder, who was on last Saturday night elected president of the Bristol Athletic Association, to have active charge of baseball in Bristol during the 1913 season, expresses serious doubt as to whether he will be able to accept the position.

## PLANK & BENDER HAVEN'T SIGNED

But Mack Is Not Anxious, as Both Hurlers Will Be Back.

Philadelphia, Pa., January 29.—Of the men for his 1913 combination with which he hopes to recapture laurels that got away last year, Manager Mack has only to sign Bender and Plank.

These are men that it is important to get in line, for they both have the pennant habit.

Plank has assisted the sage of Ontario, 1912, in winning four pennants, 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915, while Bender had a part in all of these achievements except the first. The Indian did not join the team until 1912.

Bender also had a whole lot to do with the world's championship performance of the Mackmen. He won the only game that the Athletics took from the Cubs in 1912, and proved that that powerful machine could be humbled, and in 1911 it was his exploit of winning two games within three days that ended the clash in favor of the Mackmen.

Plank also helped a whole lot in the 1911 conflict, his pitching against Marquand in the second game of the series giving the Athletics their first victory.

Manager Mack has no fear of getting these veterans starts in line.

Bender spent a large portion of the winter in the South, going from the Cuban trip to Montgomery, Ala., and later to Atlanta, Ga. He will be in Philadelphia in a few days to sign his contract and make preparations to go South with the team for the spring training trip.

Bender did not take his baseball as seriously as he might have last year. The excitement of two successive world's championships and the effects of the theatrical tour put the chief a little off form, and he shared the slump of a number of his team-mates.

But Bender wants to get in another season of the world's series money, and will undoubtedly be a good Indian in the coming season.

Plank, who always behaves and who has been good, had the best year of his career in 1912, though it was his wealth in fact.

The southpaw has been spending the winter months at Gettysburg, and undoubtedly he is on hand with his contract at the right moment.

## DIG GAMES FOR BLACK AND BLUE

Hopkins Baseball Team Will Meet Harvard, Princeton and University of Virginia.

Baltimore, Md., January 29.—With the scheduling of games with Harvard and Princeton Universities, the program for the Johns Hopkins baseball team is practically complete. Harvard will play at Homewood on Saturday, April 12, but the game with Princeton will be away from Baltimore, taking place on April 9. An organization meeting for the baseball candidates will be held to-morrow afternoon in the trophy room of the Hopkins Cafe. Speeches will be made by Captain Pieper, Undergraduate Manager Getz and Coach Hooper. The latter's selection as coach is announced, will be ratified by the athletic board at a special meeting. It is probable also that some action will be taken on the question of a football coach.

The schedule as so far arranged follows:

Tuesday, March 25—University of Pennsylvania at Homewood.  
Wednesday, March 26—University of Virginia at Charlottesville.  
Saturday, March 29—Washington College at Homewood.  
Wednesday, April 2—Georgetown at Washington.  
Saturday, April 5—Western Maryland at Homewood.  
Wednesday, April 9—Princeton at Princeton.  
Saturday, April 12—Harvard at Homewood.

Saturday, April 19—Maryland Agricultural College at Homewood.  
Saturday, April 26—Dickinson College at Dickinson, Pa.

It is doubtful whether more than one or two extra contests will be added to this schedule, as the nine games so far arranged, three of them with the best college teams in the country, will make the Hopkins nine work hard. One game, however, with St. John's College may be sandwiched in if it can be arranged.

The first practice of the baseball candidates will be on February 1 in the cage. Coach Hooper is planning to start things going at once, as the season will begin very early on account of Easter coming before the last week in March is here. For the first two weeks, practice will not be held every day, but as the time for the opening of the season draws near, practice will be every day.

Nearly all of the men who played on the nine last season and the one before are back at the university, and Coach Hooper will have some excellent material from which to select his team.

Year before last, when he was coach, it will be remembered, Hopkins played Harvard and Pennsylvania to extra innings before the visitors could win.

To the end of the year, the season and win without the extra innings.

Howard Again to Coach Navy.

Has Been Offered Job as Football Leader and Will Accept.

Annapolis, Md., January 29.—Lieutenant Douglas L. Howard, United States Navy, who has coached the Naval Academy football team to two successive victories over the Military Academy eleven, has been requested to take charge of the squad for another season.

Lieutenant Howard, who has been the youngest man who has ever been head coach of the Naval Academy team, and he is the only one who has handled two teams that have been successful against the Army.

It is unlikely that any of the big football teams will visit Annapolis next season. It was hoped that arrangements could be made with Princeton, but its management has definitely decided to get back to the old schedule after a lapse of many years, and Lehigh and Pittsburgh University have also agreed to come to Annapolis. The Military Academy has not accepted the Navy's proposal to play on November 29, the Saturday after Thanksgiving Day.

MANY PLAYERS SOLD

Anderson Club Disposes of Men to Durham and Carolina League.

Anderson, S. C., January 29.—An announcement was made to-day by Furman Smith, president of the Anderson baseball club, of the former Carolina Association club, that the following players had been sold to clubs of the North Carolina League.

To Durham: Tom L. Owens, infielder; Ed Crompton, outfielder; to Asheville, D. H. Cover, pitcher; R. S. Palmer, infielder; to Charlotte, Andrew McCarthy, pitcher; C. L. McCoy, outfielder; and J. N. Stackhouse, pitcher.

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National Fruit Product Company, Incorporated, Alexandria, Va., \$30,000; to \$100,000. Rupert N. Kobleger, president; S. Cooper Dawson, treasurer; both of Washington, D. C.; Gardner L. Brown, secretary, Alexandria, Va.; Eko Manufacturing Company, Incorporated, Norfolk, Va., \$10,000; to \$50,000. George Chambers, president; L. M. Millard, secretary and treasurer; Norfolk, Va.; E. A. DeBlackman, Richmond, Va.; E. S. Heath, Jr., Charlottesville, Va.

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## Amateur Baseball Commission Meets To-Night

The Amateur Baseball Commission will meet to-night at 8:15 o'clock in the office of the Sporting editor of The Times-Dispatch to consider the proposed changes in the rules suggested by the committee.

There is a number of other important questions to be considered in preparation for the coming season. President Hill strongly urges that all the players here the commission arrive promptly, so that the work can be accomplished without delay. Heretofore much time has been lost because members of the commission have been tardy in attending meetings.

Joe Berger, from Pacific Coast, Wanted by Chance for Infield Place.

New York, January 29.—Manager Frank Chance of the Yankees, will leave Los Angeles for Chicago on February 6, for a short conference with Manager Jimmy Callahan of the White Sox about making a trade for Shortstop Joe Berger, of Los Angeles. Chance has seen Berger a number of times and says that he is the most promising minor league infielder he has seen in years. Berger belongs to the White Sox and is expected to join the Chicago club when it goes to the coast to train this spring. Chance notified President Farrell yesterday that he would arrive in New York, later, Berger was with Los Angeles in the Pacific Coast League and played the greatest game of his career. He easily led the short stops of the league. In 1912, he had a batting average of .338 and a batting average of .275. He had 410 put-outs, 723 assists and 50 errors. The Pacific Coast season is the longest season in organized baseball, and the averages as a rule have more significance than during the shorter minor league seasons.

As long as Buck Weaver plays up to his usual speed, the White Sox have no need for another short stop, while Manager Callahan needs new pitchers more than anything else. If Callahan and Chance start to swing some kind of a deal, both are well enough versed in baseball politics to carry it through.

Berger has had more or less experience with major league clubs, and this year he is expected to stay in big company. Berger got his first chance in 1911 with the Reds under Griffith, who said that he was "top heavy," and sent him to the Western League. The White Sox got him at the beginning of last season, but at the same time they obtained Buck Weaver, and Berger never had a chance against Buck. Berger is overweight and failed to get into condition.

During the latter part of next week, Manager Chance will stop at Chicago for a short time, when he will confer with Manager Callahan, and it would not be surprising if they make an agreement. Chance already has plans for using Claude Derrick as an infielder, and in case he makes good at short Berger could be used at third base, a position he has played. Berger is rated as a better batsman than Derrick.

TO PLAY THIRTY GAMES.

Harvard Opens Season with World's Champions.

Cambridge, Mass., January 29.—Harvard's season of thirty games in this year's schedule which was announced to-night, The Crimson will open against the world's champions, the Boston Americans, at Boston, on April 8. On the Southern trip Harvard will play Annapolis, Johns Hopkins, Georgetown and the Baltimore team of the International League. The games with Yale, June 17, New Haven and June 18 at Cambridge close the season.

FAVORITE WINS FEATURE EVENT

Sherwood Has Easy Time in Stake Race on Charles-ton Track.

Charleston, S. C., January 29.—The St. John's Hotel selling stakes of \$100 for three-year-olds and upwards, seven furlongs, was the main attraction at Palmetto Park to-day and was won easily by the favorite, Sherwood. He led from start to finish and beat Merry Lad out in handy fashion. The crowd was large and the race was a pure and it brought out the prettiest finish of the afternoon the first five at the end being heads and necks apart. Jockeys Botwell and Goode divided the riding with two winners each. Rob Levy, manager of Norfolk, Va., track, was a visitor. He will remain until Sunday and then proceed to Norfolk to prepare for the spring meeting. The plans for the evening are that there will probably be six stake events on during the meeting.